

Minute

Orkney Health and Care Committee

Thursday, 7 June 2018, 14:15.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors Rachael A King, Kevin F Woodbridge, Stephen G Clackson, David Dawson, J Harvey Johnston, W Leslie Manson, John T Richards and Stephen Sankey.

Clerk

- Hazel Flett, Senior Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Scott Hunter, Head of Children and Families and Criminal Justice and Chief Social Work Officer.
- John Trainor, Head of Health and Community Care.
- Pat Robinson, Chief Finance Officer.
- Maureen Swannie, Interim Head of Children's Health Services and Service Manager, Children's Services.
- Katharine McKerrell, Solicitor.

Apology

- Councillor James W Stockan.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest were intimated.

Chair

- Councillor Rachael A King.

1. Disclosure of Exempt Information

The Committee noted the proposal that the public be excluded from the meeting for consideration of Item 4, as the business to be discussed involved the potential disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.

2. Integration Joint Board – Performance Report

After consideration of a report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Head of Children and Families and Criminal Justice and Chief Social Work Officer, the Committee:

Noted the draft Integration Joint Board Performance Report for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Chief Executive, which would be presented to the Integration Joint Board for approval at its meeting to be held on 27 June 2018.

Councillor J Harvey Johnston left the meeting during discussion of this item.

3. Duty of Candour

After consideration of a report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Head of Children and Families and Criminal Justice and Chief Social Work Officer, the Committee:

Noted:

3.1. That the Health (Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care) (Scotland) Act 2016 set out new legislative provisions for organisations providing health services, care services and social work services, known as the organisational duty of candour.

3.2. That the Duty of Candour Procedure (Scotland) Regulations 2018 set out the procedure that organisations providing health services, care services and social work services were required to follow when there had been an unintended or unexpected incident that resulted in death or harm, or additional treatment was required to prevent injury that would result in death or harm.

3.3. The Organisational Duty of Candour guidance, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Chief Executive, issued in March 2018 by the Scottish Government, the aim of which was to establish whether integration authorities were making sufficient progress on implementation of the legal duty of candour procedure for all organisations that provided health services, care services or social work services.

4. Proposed Establishment of Permanent Posts

On the motion of Councillor Rachael A King, seconded by Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge, the Committee resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.

After consideration of a report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Head of Health and Community Care, the Committee:

Resolved to **recommend to the Council** what action should be taken with regard to the proposed establishment of permanent posts.

The above constitutes the summary of the Minute in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 section 50C(2) as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

5. Conclusion of Meeting

At 15:25 the Chair declared the meeting concluded

Signed: R A King.